

**Union County Board of Elections  
Board Meeting  
September 14, 2022**

The September meeting of the Union County Board of Elections was called to Order at 3:00 pm by Chair Libby Stephens. George Burch led the invocation.

A Quorum was established. Board members in attendance: Libby Stephens, George Burch, Riccardo Rivas, Jim Fitzgerald, and Linda Hill. Many from the voting public, both Democrats and Republicans were in attendance.

Agenda was distributed and approved as presented. Minutes for July were approved as presented. There was no meeting in August

**Old Business**

- ORR submitted by Marsha Lodes: Chair Stephens announced that the images requested in this ORR were not available due to an “option” within the Dominion System was set to not bring forth the images at the time the vote counts were uploaded to the Election Project. After researching, the option has been set to not bring forth the images for any election run on the current equipment. Apologies were made; however, the ballots for all elections conducted on the Dominion System are safeguarded at the courthouse and can be retrieved with a court order.

**New Business**

- Calendar for the remainder of the year: Jim Fitzgerald reviewed the dates for L&A, Election Day, Runoff (if needed) and the Risk Limited Audit.
- Poll Workers/Observers: Riccardo Rivas reported that both Democrats and Republicans are credentialing Poll Workers for early voting and election day.
- Poll Pad Report: George Burch reported that the pads will be updated to Version 15.6.1 prior to the election.

A motion was made by George Burch to allow Laurie Brothers (from the audience) to speak. The motion was seconded and was unanimously approved.

Ms. Brothers requested the UC BOE ask the Court to:

1. Unseal 2022 election documents and provide copies of the ballots
2. Stop using the machines/software and instead, use paper ballots for the 2022 General Election and going forward.

Chair Stephens confirmed for the group that she has requested the election documents be opened for the purpose of providing images to the requestors. Judge George rejected the request, adding that there is no evidence that they will change the results of the election.

By law, we are required to use the machines unless they are “broken” and unable to operate.

- New Liaison: Union County has been assigned a new training liaison.
- Ballot Order: Paper ballots used for absentee, provisional and Vote Review Panel ballots have been ordered.
- Election Audit: The Risk Limiting Audit is required to begin by November 17.
- Security: UC Sheriff’s Department will provide security, as has been the case in the past

- George Burch moved that sufficient scanner cards are purchased and maintained to have retention of all election images. Chair Stephens indicated that she has already purchased these cards. No vote was required
- George Burch further moved that for the November 8 General Election, the BOE complete a hand count of the Governor and US Senate races. This will be an affirming count (not a re-count) that will demonstrate that the machines tallied the votes as casted for this election. The motion was seconded and was unanimously approved. This will be scheduled to take place before the election is certified.

Following the business of the Board, discussion with the attendees from the community continued. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:00 pm.

The next Board meeting is Wednesday, October 12, at 3:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted by:

Linda Hill  
Secretary